Welcome to Humboldt State University

Congratulations on choosing HSU to pursue your Master's Degree. At Humboldt, you'll explore new ideas while learning more about yourself. Your professors will know you by name, and your education will go beyond the classroom with original research and real-world projects. You'll be part of a campus known for its longstanding commitment to social and environmental responsibility. And when you graduate, you'll have more than just a degree - you'll have the skills to go far in life and make your community better.

The Office of Graduate Studies
The Office of Graduate Studies is here to support you as you complete your Master's degree. We collaborate with other campuses and departments to coordinate opportunities that make graduate school accessible for all students. Some of the services and assistance we provide to graduate students includes:

- Notifying students of important dates and deadlines
- Providing resources for completing your thesis/project and your degree
- Processing and assisting with graduate student paperwork
- Assisting with graduate student events such as orientation and commencement

Visit our website gradprograms.humboldt.edu for more information on the services our office provides. Feel free to contact us at hsugrad@humboldt.edu at any time.
Financial Aid

To apply for aid, a student should complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form online at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov) or [studentaid.ed.gov](http://studentaid.ed.gov). The application opens on October 1st and the deadline to apply every year is March 2nd.

Aid is usually limited for those already holding a bachelor’s degree. However, in addition to unsubsidized loans, graduate students may be eligible for other financial opportunities such as:

- Federal Work Study
- Graduate Assistantships or Teaching Associate Positions
- HSU Scholarships and Grants
- Tuition Fee Waivers

For more information on the financial aid opportunities available to you as a graduate student, visit the graduate student handbook. Some types of financial aid have specific restrictions; please consult the Financial Aid Office for questions regarding your Financial Aid Award Offer. For more information visit [finaid.humboldt.edu](http://finaid.humboldt.edu)

Academic Calendar

The Academic Calendar is a list of dates and deadlines throughout the Academic Year. Visit the Office of the Registrar’s website for the academic calendar for the current academic year and a list of upcoming deadlines.

Graduate Student Forms & Policies

This section will provide a quick look at some of the graduate forms and policies. For more information and access to the required forms, visit the Graduate Studies website.

Graduate students taking nine or more semester units are enrolled full-time. You must maintain Good Academic Standing, which means a GPA of at least 3.0 (B) or better in all courses taken to satisfy your degree requirements.

You are required to enroll for a minimum of one unit per academic term for at least two terms per academic year until your degree requirements are completed. Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations limits the maximum time for completing a master’s degree program to 7 years.
**Things to do at HSU**

HSU is the northernmost campus in the California State University system, located in a rural area 270 miles north of San Francisco. Our stunning natural environment is both a natural laboratory and a great place for adventure. Our “backyard” is 110 miles of coastline and 680,000 acres of state and national parks. In addition to exploring the amazing area surrounding HSU, there are plenty of things to do on campus itself.

**Arts**
The Center Arts box office offers information and ticket sales for many events on campus such as musical concerts, theatrical performances, dance, and special events. These events are available for the general public but HSU students are offered discounted or free ticket prices. Visit centerarts.humboldt.edu for more information on upcoming events.

**Athletics**
HSU Athletics is a member of the California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) and NCAA Division II Conference. Tickets to games can be purchased online or at the gate, students are admitted for free. Be sure to take a look at the Jacks’ teams achievements on their website: hsujacks.com.

**Center Activities**
Center Activities is a department of the University Center that provides outdoor, recreational, fitness, educational and social experiences to Humboldt State University students and the surrounding community at the Recreation & Wellness Center, the Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center, and the Student Recreation Center.

**Campus Events**
For more information on campus events and when they occur, visit humboldt.edu/events/all
Resources

Academic and Career Advising Center
Lower Library 27
707-826-3341
Email: acac@humboldt.edu

Cashiers Office
Student & Business Services
Building room 285
707-826-6789
Email: hsu-cash@humboldt.edu

Counseling and Psychological Services
Health Center, room 205
707-826-3236
Email: hsucaps@humboldt.edu
Reach a counselor 24/7 at 707-826-3236

Dean of Students
Siemens Hall 211
707-826-3504
Email: dos@humboldt.edu

Digital Commons
Kyle Morgan, Digital Scholarship Librarian
Humboldt State University Library
707-826-5602
kyle.morgan@humboldt.edu

Extended Education and Global Engagement
Student & Business Services
Building
707-826-3731 & 707-826-5885
Email: extended@humboldt.edu

Financial Aid Office
Student & Business Services
Building, room 231
707-826-3731
Email: finaid@humboldt.edu

Graduate Studies Office
Siemens Hall 217B
707-826-5194
Email: hsugrad@humboldt.edu

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)
Forestry, room 106
707-826-3256
Email: iacuc@humboldt.edu

Institutional Review Board (IRB)
Student & Business Services, room 427
707-826-5165
Email: irb@humboldt.edu

Office of the Registrar
Student & Business Services, first floor
707-826-6208
Email: records@humboldt.edu
Registrar’s Calendar of Activities and Deadlines

Oh Snap!
Recreation & Wellness Center,
Room 122
707-826-4556
Email: ohsnap@humboldt.edu

Student Disability Resource Center
Learning Commons, Lower Library suite 5
707-826-4678
Email: sdrc@humboldt.edu

Student Health Center
Medical Clinic Health Center
707-826-3146
Email: health@humboldt.edu
For medical or mental health emergencies call 911

University Book Store
1 East Laurel Drive, Arcata
707-826-3741
Email: humboldt@bkstr.com

University Police Department
Student & Business Services, room 101
707-826-5555
Email: hsupd@humboldt.edu